

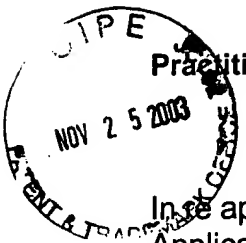
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Jones, Bart R.

Application No.: 09/921,636

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For: ADHESIVELY BONDED OIL PAN ASSEMBLY

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
(37 C.F.R. § 1.114)

1. Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, for the above identified application.

TIME REQUEST IS BEING MADE

2. This request is being submitted:
- i. Prior to abandonment of the application
  - ii. Payment of the issue fee
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## ENCLOSURES

3. Enclosed herewith are:  
A Preliminary Amendment

### FEE FOR REQUEST (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)).

4. This application is on behalf of other than small entity.

Continued Prosecution Request Fee: 770.00

### FEE FOR CLAIMS

5. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col.1)	(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)	OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY							
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA					RATE		ADDIT. FEE	
TOTAL	23	–	20	=	3	x	\$	18.00	=	\$	54.00
INDEP.	3	–	3	=	0	x	\$	86.00	=	\$	.00
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM								+	\$	280.00	= \$ 0.00
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE										\$	54.00

Total additional fee required is \$54.00

### EXTENSION OF TIME

6. The proceedings herein are for a patent application, and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) apply.

Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this is a conditional petition and authorization to pay the necessary fees to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

### TOTAL FEE(S) DUE

7. The total fee(s) due is/are:

Continued Prosecution Fee (Section 1.17(e))	\$770.00
Fee(s) for additional claims (Section 1.16(b)-(d))	\$54.00

Total Fee(s) Due:	\$824.00
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#### PAYMENT OF FEE(S) DUE

8. Please pay the fee(s) for this continued examination application as follows:

Please charge Deposit Account No. 04-1512 for the above fee due of \$824.00 and any required additional fee(s) for § 1.17(e), § 1.16(b)-(d) and/or § 1.17(a)(1)-(4) to Account 04-1512.

#### INVENTORSHIP

9. This application as amended names as inventors the same inventors as previously designated for the claims.

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